

12 AUGUST 2018 - TODAY'S SERVICES

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST

9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY	14	8.50am 10.00am	Guild Meeting— Maheno Room Morning Tea followed by Hoy— Maheno Room
WEDNESDAY	15		Ekka Holiday
THURSDAY	16	9.30am	Mah-jong—Church
FRIDAY	17	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	19	7.30am 9.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist

When the bell rings before a service -

please pause in silence to say this prayer in your heart:

Grant, O Lord, that this bell may sound the good news of your salvation; may its ringing summon the faithful to worship, and stir all who hear it to love and serve you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.

Ephesians 5.1–2

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- **MP:** 51, 261, 446, 486.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

1ST READING: 2 SAMUEL 18. 5-9,14-31-33

VANESSA HANLON KATE DOWN

The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. Joab said, 'I will not waste time like this with you.' He took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into the heart of Absalom, while he was still alive in the oak. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

PSALM 130: *(verses said alternately between reader and congregation)*

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.
- 2. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**
3. If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
- 4. But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**
5. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
- 6. my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**
7. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.
- 8. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 4.25-5.2

ROSLYN THOMSON DAVID DOWN

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



Donations and weekly offerings can now be made with credit cards at all services.

The iPad is located at the back of the Church if you wish to pay in this way.

Please feel free to ask for help if you need it.

GOSPEL: JOHN 6. 35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

St Francis Study

Come along and explore The Legacy of St Francis in 5 sessions

using Richard Rohr's study materials

"Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy"

Wednesday Evenings in Church 7pm

12th, 19th, 26th September

3rd & 10th October

Study books are available from the office or at the study for \$12

Parish Prayers

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

In The World: -

- ⇒ **Province of South East Asia**, †Ng Moon Hing Archbishop of South East Asia & Bishop of West Malaysia
- ⇒ **The Diocese of Grafton**: Murray Harvey – Bishop Elect; Gail Hagon - Administrator; Clergy and People

In The Diocese:

- ⇒ **The Parish of Goonaneman**:
- ⇒ **St John's Anglican College**: Head of College - Sue Bain; Chaplain - Susan Crothers- Robertson; Lay Minister – Juliana Bate; Chair of College Council – Steve Scott; members of College Council; staff and students

Locally: Those whose are travelling.

Pray for The Sick: Joel, Valmai, Bronwyn, Duncan Family, Steph, Kerrie, John, Roselee, Esther, Linda, Drew, Kerry, Helena, Audrey, Dawn, Kirby Family, Chris, Stephanie, Andrew.

(NOTE: under the Federal Privacy Act, consent of the person you wish to pray for must be obtained. No details of need / illness can be published without consent)



The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday 12 August 2018

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 14, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4.25 – 5.2; John 6.35, 41-51

Even in utter despair the Psalmist finds hope, telling us that with the Lord there is mercy, forgiveness, and ample redemption. May we realize this, knowing that we can start with a clean slate in God's eyes, if we would only put our trust in the divine mercy.

Pray that you will be merciful whenever the opportunity arises this week. Pray that others will forgive your offences this week.

Pray for the Church of Pakistan, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

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12th August 2018 News & Coming Events for your Diary

- * Tuesday 14 August: 8.50am—Guild Meeting—Maheno Room
- * Tuesday 14 August: 10.00am—Morning Tea followed by Hoy—Maheno Room
- * Thursday 16 August: 9.30am—Mah-jong—Church
- * Friday 17 August: 10.00am—Eucharist
- * Sunday 19 August : 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- * Sunday 19 August: 9.00am—Family Eucharist

SAMARITAN'S PURSE: (OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD)

Shoe Boxes are now being sorted to send to children in underprivileged countries.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE BOXES ARE:-

6 things to light up the world of a child in need

SOMETHING TO LOVE Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

SOMETHING TO WEAR T-shirt, shorts, underwear, cap, beanie, sandals, thongs, etc.

SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, wind up torch, etc. (No battery operated items)

SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, hair-clips, scrunchies, etc.(No toothpaste)

SOMETHING SPECIAL Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers, note or photo of yourself.

If you don't wish to do up a box yourself, items as per the above list can be left in the basket at the back of the Church.

If you do up boxes, please leave them at the back of the Church for collection.

Bridge to Brisbane 26th August 2018

Tony Newton and Stuart Winfield are intending to do the 5km section of the event, and they invite sponsorship for "Father John's Malteser Fund".

(Any funds raised to be placed by Fr John for the benefit of our church).

Sponsor forms are at the rear of the church, and monies should be given to Allan (Treasurer), Sue (Church Secretary), Tony or Stuart on completion of the event.

Footnote:- The current world market price of a Malteser is 4.5cents.

WHAT WE DO

Knitting Circle:

The knitting circle meets once a month in the Maheno room, knitting squares which are then joined and made into rugs, beanies, and crocheting tea towels. Anyone wishing to join this lovely group of ladies and do some knitting or crocheting or anyone wanting to learn to knit or crochet is very welcome to come along; the next one is on Wednesday 19th September, at 9.30am. A lovely morning tea is served.

St. John's Guild:

The next meeting of the Guild will be Tuesday 14th August in the Maheno Room, starting at 8.50am for the Guild Meeting followed at 10.00am for Hoy. A lovely morning tea is served before playing Hoy so if you or anyone you know would like to have a lovely morning of fun and fellowship please join these lovely ladies.

Mah-jong Group:

The Mah-jong Group meets Thursday morning from 9.30am—12.30pm in the Church. If you can play mah-jong, or would like to learn, please join us. Tea and coffee is supplied.

Cake Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish):

Next stall is on Sunday 26th August. The people manning the stall have noticed that large cakes such as fruit cakes are not easy to sell, so perhaps if you are one of the fine cooks who make these larger fruit cakes, you may consider making smaller ones which seem to be in demand and sell much better. Thanks.

Little Children's Church:

Little Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00am service. We have stories and activities for children aged 3-years to Year 2, and younger children are also very welcome to attend with a parent. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us.

Teen Church:

Teen Church is an exciting youth programme offered during School term time at St John's. Each term the teens are invited to participate in 3 sessions exploring the Bible and their faith as well as 'In Service' services at the 9am Family service. They engage in ministry tasks and liturgical roles in the 'In Service' services which encourage their growth as Anglicans serving the community. Occasional group outings and fundraising events also form part of the Teen Church programme.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday 19 August 2018

1 Kings 2.10-12; 3.3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5.11-21

John 6.51-58

ROSTERED DUTIES	7.30AM	9.00AM
L.A.'S	Vanessa Hanlon Robert Bland	Roland Sowerby Sarah Davies
READERS	Allan Thomson Ann Winfield	Teen church
DOOR	Lionel Rowe Stuart Winfield	Stephen Jones Teen Church
MORNING TEA	Dorothy Cameron Anne & Peter Thurecht	Children's Church Bjorn & Lauren Holdt
OFFERTORY COUNTERS		Sarah Davies Allan Thomson

FLOWERS	Caroline
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Weekly Giving : Budget \$1975/Week;

Last Week \$ 1011.85

Yearly shortfall \$ 22,322.50